

**COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA ITEM TRANSMITTAL**

(1) DEPARTMENT Public Works	(2) MEETING DATE 12/17/2013	(3) CONTACT/PHONE Mark Hutchinson, Environmental Programs Manager (805) 781-5458	
(4) SUBJECT Request to approve an agreement between the San Luis Obispo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District and the Upper Salinas-Las Tablas Resource Conservation District for implementation of the Templeton Creek Community Creek Stewardship and Maintenance Program. District 1.			
(5) RECOMMENDED ACTION It is recommended that the Board approve and direct the Chairperson to sign the agreement with the Upper Salinas-Las Tablas Resource Conservation District for Implementation of the Templeton Creek Community Creek Stewardship and Maintenance Program.			
(6) FUNDING SOURCE(S) Flood Control & Water Conservation District Fund (1300000000)	(7) CURRENT YEAR FINANCIAL IMPACT \$41,070.00	(8) ANNUAL FINANCIAL IMPACT \$0.00	(9) BUDGETED? Yes
(10) AGENDA PLACEMENT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consent <input type="checkbox"/> Presentation <input type="checkbox"/> Hearing (Time Est. ____) <input type="checkbox"/> Board Business (Time Est. ____)			
(11) EXECUTED DOCUMENTS <input type="checkbox"/> Resolutions <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Contracts <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinances <input type="checkbox"/> N/A			
(12) OUTLINE AGREEMENT REQUISITION NUMBER (OAR) N/A		(13) BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUIRED? BAR ID Number: N/A <input type="checkbox"/> 4/5 Vote Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	
(14) LOCATION MAP N/A	(15) BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT? No	(16) AGENDA ITEM HISTORY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A Date:	
(17) ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE REVIEW <i>Nikki J. Schmidt</i>			
(18) SUPERVISOR DISTRICT(S) District 1 -			

Reference: 13DEC17-C-5

County of San Luis Obispo



TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Public Works

Mark Hutchinson, Environmental Programs Manager

VIA: Paavo Ogren, Director of Public Works

DATE: 12/17/2013

SUBJECT: Request to approve an agreement between the San Luis Obispo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District and the Upper Salinas-Las Tablas Resource Conservation District for implementation of the Templeton Creek Community Creek Stewardship and Maintenance Program. District 1.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board approve and direct the Chairperson to sign the agreement with the Upper Salinas-Las Tablas Resource Conservation District for Implementation of the Templeton Creek Community Creek Stewardship and Maintenance Program.

DISCUSSION

The goal of this Agreement with the Upper Salinas-Las Tablas Resource Conservation District (US-LTRCD) is to engage community members in a volunteer creek stewardship program that supports ecosystem processes while at the same time maintaining urban creeks in a way that allows for storm-water flow during peak season storms. The US-LTRCD will provide outreach, leadership, technical information, coordination, regulatory permitting, ongoing stewardship training, and necessary follow-up and monitoring. The initial work effort will focus on Toad Creek in Templeton, followed by the development of a County wide Adopt-a-Creek program that can be used as model for other communities.

This Agreement continues partnering efforts initiated by the Department of Public Works to engage other agencies and community groups to apply their expertise and experience in ways that increase the efficiency and effectiveness of services provided by the Department. These efforts are similar to the Department's work to partner with environmental regulatory agencies to better incorporate regulations and environmental goals into project designs and implementation. In contrast, these efforts focus on developing ongoing working relationships with non-regulatory agencies and community groups to share and leverage information and resources to better serve the public.

Examples of recent and ongoing partnering efforts include:

- Teaming with the Coastal Conservancy, Cambria Greenspace, CA Conservation Corps, Regional Water Quality Control Board, and others to build the Ferrasci Road Bridge in Cambria
- Partnering with SLO Greenbuild to prepare a Septic System Decommissioning and Reuse Plan for Los Osos
- Partnering with the San Luis Coastal Resource Conservation District to implement vegetation management in the Arroyo Grande Creek Channel
- Supporting the City of San Luis Obispo with the Waterway Management Plan for San Luis Obispo Creek, through Zone 9 of the Flood Control District
- Coordinating with the Flood Control Zone 3 (Lopez Water Project) member agencies to manage the Lopez Water Project for the benefit of their communities
- Coordinating with the Nacimiento Water Project agencies to manage that project for the benefit of their communities

Overall, the Department seeks to expand partnering agreements and programs in ways that make more efficient use of public resources and funding, and at the same time providing opportunities for community members to become involved in programs and projects that result in tangible benefits at the community level.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT/IMPACT

The recommended agreement is with the Upper Salinas-Las Tablas Resource Conservation District; it is patterned after the Department of Public Works' partnership efforts with other agencies described above. The Creek Stewardship project in Templeton will also involve regulatory permitting and consultations with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the Regional Water Quality Control Board and potentially the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the National Marine Fisheries Service.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

The cost estimate for the implementation of the Templeton Community Creek Stewardship and Maintenance Program is \$41,070. The Program will be funded in the existing FY 2013-14 Flood Control and Water Conservation District.

RESULTS

Approval of the attached agreement will allow the Department of Public Works to work with the Upper Salinas-Las Tablas Resource Conservation District to develop and implement community level flood control and environmental programs in an efficient and cost effective manner, continuing existing efforts to provide a well governed, livable and safe community.

File: CF 380.50.01 Upper Salinas/Las Tablas Resource Conservation Districts

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Agreement Between the San Luis Obispo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District and the Upper Salinas-Las Tablas Resource Conservation District for Implementation of Templeton Community Creek Stewardship and Maintenance Program